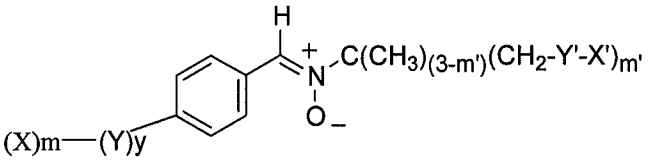
Amendments to the Claims:

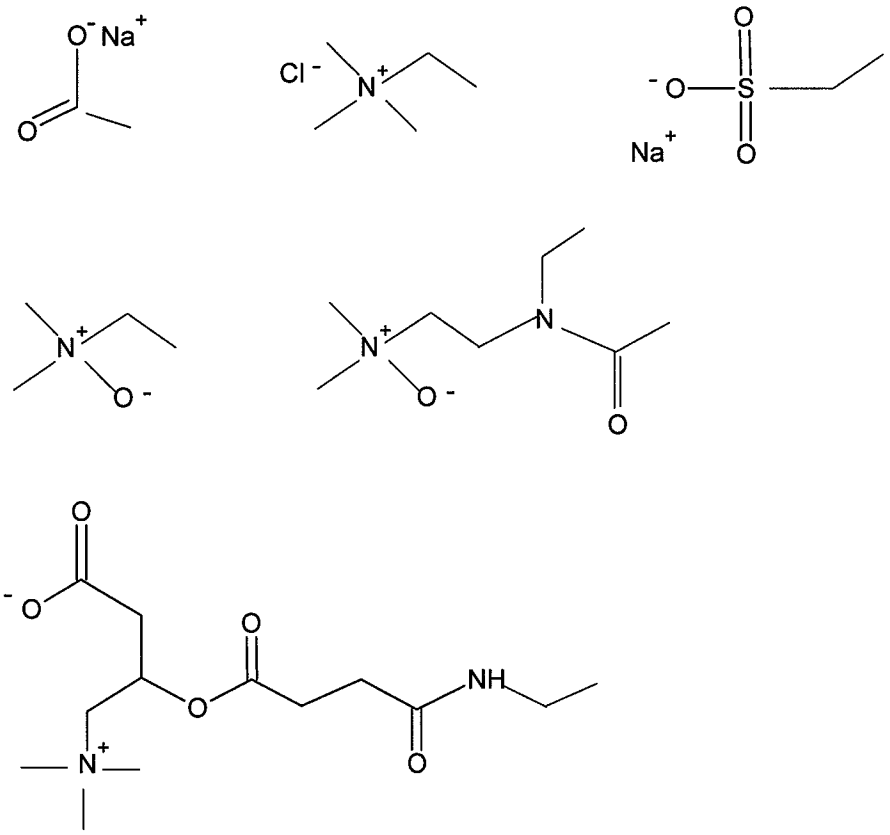
1. (Currently Amended) A compound corresponding to the formula (I):



(I)

in which:

X represents a ~~hydrophilic~~ group ~~which is~~ selected from: glucose, fructose, mannose, galactose, ribose, maltose, glucosamine, sucrose and lactobionamide, ~~a monosaccharide or a polysaccharide as well as amino derivatives of monosaccharides and polysaccharides,~~ a poly(ethylene oxide) chain comprising from 30 to 100 ethylene oxide units, a group selected from, ~~a peptide chain, a polar ionic group selected from a quaternary ammonium, an amine oxide, or a carnitine group;~~



m represents an integer equal to 1, 2 or 3;

Y represents a spacer arm which is intended to link the aromatic nucleus to the hydrophilic X substituents; and

Y is selected from ester, amide, urea, urethane, ether, thioether and amine functions, and C_1-C_6 hydrocarbon chains which are optionally interrupted by one or more ester, amide, urea or urethane functions and by one or more ether, amine or thioether bridges;

y represents an integer equal to 0 or to 1;

Y' represents a group selected from an ester function, an amide function, a urea function, a urethane function, an ether bridge or a thioether bridge;

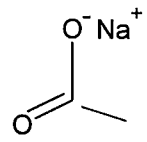
m' is an integer selected from 1 and 2;

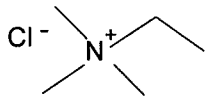
X' represents a hydrogen atom or a C_4-C_{14} alkyl chain which is optionally substituted by one or more fluorine atoms.

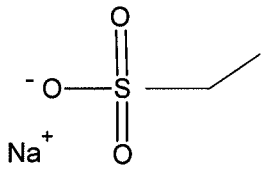
2. (Currently Amended) The compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents a group selected from: glucose, lactose, ~~fructose, mannose,~~ manose, galactose, ribose, maltose, glucosamine, sucrose and lactobionamide.

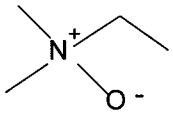
3. (Currently Amended) A compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents a group selected from poly(ethylene oxide) chains comprising from ~~30 to 100 ethylene oxide units, preferably from~~ 50 to 60 units.

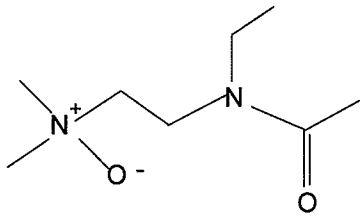
4. (Previously Presented) A compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents a group selected from

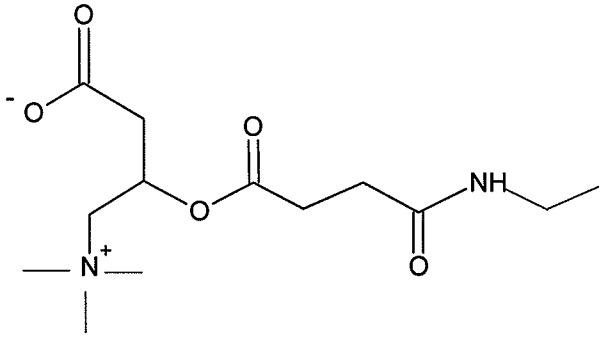












5. (Currently Amended) A compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of the following conditions is satisfied:

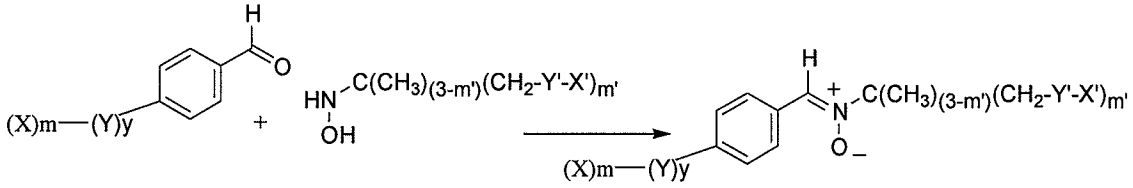
X represents a group selected from: lacto-bionamide, ~~carnitine or a polyoxyethylene chain;~~

m represents 1;

m' represents 1 or 2;

X' is selected from the groups octyl, decyl, dodecyl and $CF_3(CF_2)_rCH_2CH_2$-, where $8 \geq r \geq 6$.

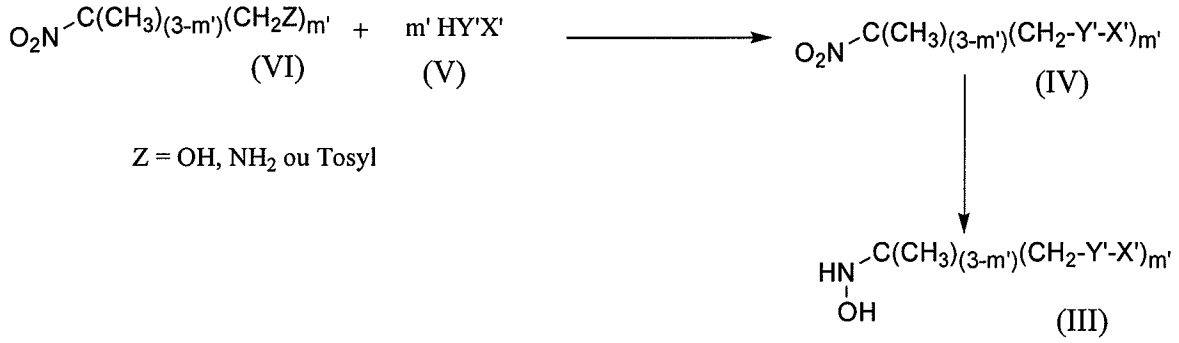
6. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a compound corresponding to the formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1 wherein an aldehyde corresponding to the formula (II) is reacted with a hydroxylamine corresponding to the formula (III) in accordance with scheme 2 below:



(II) (III) (I)

Scheme 2

7. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 6, wherein the compound of the formula (III) is prepared in accordance with a process which is described in scheme 3:



Scheme 3

8. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one compound corresponding to the formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1 in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The use of a compound corresponding to the formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1 for preparing a drug which is intended to prevent and/or treat the effects of free radicals~~ A method to prevent and/or treat the effects of free radicals in an individual, said method comprising the step of administering a compound corresponding to the formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1 to this individual.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The use of a compound as claimed in Claim 1 for preparing a drug which is intended to prevent or treat the pathological conditions linked to oxidative stress and to the formation of oxygen-containing free radical species~~ A method to prevent or treat a pathological condition linked to oxidative stress and to the formation of oxygen-containing free radical species, in an individual said method comprising the step of administering to said individual a compound as claimed in claim 1.

11. (Currently Amended) The method ~~use~~ as claimed in claim 10 for preventing or treating a pathological condition selected from immune and inflammatory diseases, the ischemia-reperfusion syndrome, atherosclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, lesions due to UV and ionizing radiations, Huntington's disease, cancers and cellular aging.

12. (Previously Presented) A cosmetic composition, comprising at least one compound corresponding to the formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1 in a cosmetically acceptable excipient.

13. (Previously Presented) A cosmetic treatment method for preventing and/or treating the effects of aging, comprising applying to the skin or to the epidermal appendages a composition as claimed in claim 12.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The use of a compound corresponding to formula (I) as claimed in Claim 1 in organic synthesis as a free radical capturing agent in free radical reactions~~ a method of capturing free radicals comprising the step of reacting a free radical with the compound as claimed in Claim 1.

15. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein X represents a group selected from: glucosamine, sucrose and lactobionamide.

16. (New) The compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein Y represents a group selected from:

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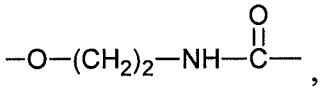

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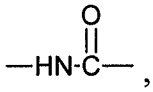

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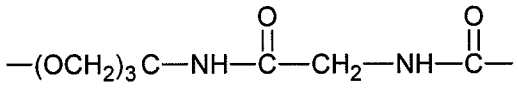

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